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NORTH CHINA DANGER.

Japan Sends More Troops To Tsinan.

SOUTH AND TSINGTAO.

Lull Before A Big Thrust For the Port.

Although the anti-Japanese boycott is spreading on account of Japanese military movements in North China, the Japanese Government has decided to send two infantry battalions and other forces to Tsinan, a commercial city, south of Tientsin. Meanwhile there is a lull in the civil war pending a big thrust by the South to capture the important port of Tsingtao.

MR. CHU CHAO-HISIN.
No Reply to a Request For Leave.

Geneva, July 7.
The Chinese Minister in Rome and the Chinese representative to the League Council, Mr. Chu Chao-hisin are in a quandary.



Mr. Chu Chao-hisin, the Chinese delegate to the League Council, who has resigned.

They have applied for leave absence to the Peking Government but have received no reply, so Mr. Chu has resigned.

Mr. Chu recently issued a statement of the Cantonese Government's attitude towards the Naval Conference, and it is expected that in a few days he will issue a statement explaining his personal position towards the Peking Government.—Reuter.

Joins South.

Later.
Mr. Chu has announced that he has joined the Southern Nationalist Party. Consequently at the next League Council meeting and assembly he will represent the latter Government.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S FORCES.

Protecting Tsinan and the Railway.

Peking, July 7.
According to a Japanese official message from Tsingtao two infantry battalions and two machine-gun companies are scheduled to leave Tsingtao this morning for Tsinan, while other forces are proceeding to intermediate points on the railway.—Reuter.

ARMED CARS.

Shanghai, July 7.
In connection with the arrival of Japanese troops at Tsinan, it is reported here that several armoured cars were among the reinforcements.—Hong Kong Evening Post.

[Tsinan, in the province of Shantung, is 175 miles south of Tientsin. The city, which has a wall and three circuits of ramparts, manufactures silk and trades in imitation precious stones.]

COMING CLASH.

South Preparing To Thrust At Tsingtao.

Shanghai, July 7.
The Nationalists are apparently centralising their forces for the thrust against Tsingtao and the proposed Northward advance along the Tientsin-Pukow railway. Neither plan has yet been put into operation, but the present lull in operations is regarded as precedent to activities on a big scale. Other ports and the Yangtze generally remain quiet.—British Naval Wireless.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 1,1115/16.

HEAVY BURDENS.

Home Railways And Taxation.

WHERE ROAD USERS SCORE.

Rugby, July 7.
The National Union of Railwaymen, at their annual conference to-day protested against the heavy burdens British railways had to bear as compared with road traffic. It was pointed out that £1,200,000,000 were invested



Mr. J. H. Thomas.

in railways which paid £42,000,000 annually in local rates. Road users bore no such charges.

On the contrary towards the upkeep of the nation's roads only £20,000,000 a year were paid by the ratepayers.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, the railwaymen's leader, declared that the railway companies by paying local rates thus actually subsidised their competitors, which unlike the railway that must carry traffic, could discriminate in favour of the most profitable loads.

A resolution was unanimously carried calling attention to the unfair handicaps under which the railways suffered and urging that a co-ordinate policy between all forms of transport should be introduced to provide a more efficient and more economical public service.—British Wireless Service.

TOKYO CRITICISM.

Tokyo, July 7.
The "Asahi," commenting on the sudden cancellation of the orders for the despatch of reinforcements to Tsingtao, asserts that this indicates the dangerous and indecisive policy of the present Government. The vernacular papers generally fear the movement of troops to Tsinan may precipitate a clash with the Southern, thereby not only necessitating a further increase in the forces but also aggravating the anti-Japanese boycott.—Reuter.

KILAUEA ERUPTS.

WORLD'S LARGEST ACTIVE VOLCANO.

FOUNTAINS OF FIRE.

Hilo, Hawaii, July 7.
Kilauea, the largest active volcano in the world, began erupting early to-day.

The flow of lava was accompanied by subterranean explosions and fountains of fire in marvellous pyrotechnic display just before dawn.—Reuter's American Service.

Hawaii, the largest and southernmost of the Sandwich Island (q.v.), Pacific Ocean, between lat. 18 deg. 53' and 20 deg. 15' N., long. 154 deg. 50' and 156 deg. 4' W. It is a vast mass of volcanic rock and lava, and contains several lofty peaks. Mauna Kea (13,963 ft.) is now quiescent, but Mauna Loa (13,760 ft.) has had several eruptions during the present century, that of 1868 being particularly terrible, and Kilauea (4,250 ft.) on the flank of the latter, has a crater 2 m. in length by 1/2 m. broad which is a continual lake of fire in constant agitation. The middle of the island consists of a wild rugged plateau, without inhabitants. The N.E. side is watered by numerous streams, and the soil is very fertile, in which sugar-cane and other tropical products are cultivated. In the extreme N. are excellent pastures, but the W. face of the plateau is completely arid and waterless. Chief town, Hilo, on the E. side. At Kealakekua Bay, on the W. side of the island, Captain Cook was murdered by the natives, Feb. 14, 1770. Area 4,866 sq. m. P. (1924) 24,990.

PIONEER'S DEATH.

GERMAN WHO WAS EDISON'S PARTNER.

Berlin, July 7.
The death is announced here of Herr Sigmund Bergmann, a pioneer in American and German electrical industry.

Founder of the Bergmann Electric Company, he was at one time a partner of Thomas Edison in New York.—Reuter.

ARMS ON A SHIP.

REBEL PLOT NIPPED IN THE BUD?

New York, July 7.
Government agents here believe they have nipped in the bud a South American revolution by discovering 350 rifles and 100,000 rounds of ammunition on a steamer tied up in the East River.

The rifles and ammunition were hidden in sales labelled "hardware and cotton matting," addressed to Tumaco, Colombia.—Reuter's American Service.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

British Airman Planning Attempt.

A DISASTER AT HAWAII.

Rugby, July 7.

Captain Mackintosh, an Imperial Airway pilot, states that he has completed arrangements for an attempt to fly non-stop from England to New York within the next few weeks.—British Wireless Service.

VISITING LONDON.

Rugby, July 7.

Clarence Chamberlain, the American aviator who recently flew across the Atlantic, is expected to arrive in England by air from Paris to-morrow.—British Wireless Service.

SAILING FOR HOME.

Paris, July 7.

The chances of Commander Byrd and his companions visiting England are faint.

They propose to sail for home on the "Leviathan" on Tuesday. After spending the week-end at

TRAIN SMASH.

Heavy Casualties in Argentine Collision.

Buenos Aires, July 7.

Twelve people have been killed and forty injured in a railway collision near Mendoza.—Reuter's American Service.

DUNKIRK AND LE TOUQUET.

Dunkirk and Le Touquet, they were given a reception by the Chamber of Deputies. They luncheoned at the Ministry of Commerce and were given a reception at the Hotel du Ville.—Reuter.

PLANE CRASHES INTO SEA.

Honolulu, July 7.

Celebrations of farewell to Lieutenant Matilda Houghton, the airman who flew across the Pacific to Hawaii, who are sailing for San Francisco came to a gloomy termination when an aeroplane, piloted by Flight Lieutenant Williams, circling overhead, nose-dived into the sea and Williams was drowned.—Reuter's American Service.

ALTITUDE RECORD.

Washington, July 7.

Lieutenant C. C. Champion, of the Navy, is credited by the National Aeronautic Association with a new world's altitude record for seaplanes, namely 37,995 feet, compared with the recent 30,479 feet record by the French naval Lieutenant de Mougeot.—Reuter's American Service.

A TERROR OF THE AIR.

New York, July 7.

It is stated that the War Department is constructing a military two-engined aeroplane of 950 horse-power, Fokker design, to carry five machine-guns and 3,000 lbs. of high explosives to bomb land and sea forces.—Reuter's American Service.

STORM AT HOME.

HEAVY RAINS SWEEP THE COUNTRY.

LIGHTNING IN THE CHANNEL.

Rugby, July 7.

Severe rain storms swept South England and Northern France last night, and heavy falls were general throughout the country.

The storm was accompanied by lightning and thunder in many places.

During brilliant flashes at Folkestone the French coast was visible across the Straits of Dover.

The heaviest rainfall was recorded at Clacton-on-sea. In Essex, where in 13 hours nearly three inches were registered—nearly half as much rain as usually falls during the whole of July.

Dover recorded 2.81 inches which is the heaviest experienced for many years.

Rains in many places became impossible owing to floods and fields were submerged.—British Wireless Service.

GOOD FAITH.

GERMANY AND DISARMAMENT DEMANDS.

Berlin, July 7.

The Reichstag by 309 to 44 votes adopted the war material bill forbidding the export of certain categories of goods which might be used as instruments of war.

Speakers claimed that by the adoption of the bill Germany fulfilled all her disarmament obligations and therefore no excuse left for the continued occupation of German soil.—Reuter.

BOAT IN FLAMES.

WEALTHY CHICAGO MAGNATE DROWNED.

Sudbury, Ontario, July 7.

Mr. W. L. Hodgkins, the millionaire president of the Brownell Improvement Company of Chicago, has been drowned with two members of the crew of a motor boat which caught fire while sailing in Georgian Bay, Lake Huron.

Four others, including two girls, were saved by swimming half a mile to the shore.—Reuter.

HOSPITAL COMFORTS.

The Committee acknowledges with thanks, receipt of the following for the hospitals—Parcels of magazines from Mrs. A. H. Hamilton, Mrs. A. R. Sutherland and the Hon. Mr. G. Owen Hughes.

SOCIETY WEDDING.

American Ambassador's Daughter.

BRILLIANT LONDON SCENES.

London, July 7.

The public was so interested in the marriage of Miss Matilda Houghton, daughter of the American Ambassador, to Mr. Chandler P. Anderson, only son of the C. P. Andersons of Washington, at St. Margaret's, Westmin-

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SECRECY STILL THE RULE.

Japan Urging Lower Cruiser Tonnage.

Over a cup of tea in Admiral Saito's room, the chief delegates to the Geneva Naval Conference discussed the question of cruiser and destroyer tonnage, but owing to the strict secrecy being maintained it is impossible to size up the position to-day, beyond saying that the Japanese are out to reduce such tonnage as far as possible.

tion yesterday, may be regarded at least for the moment as America's limit.—Reuter's American Service: Reason for Disagreement.

Geneva, July 7.
There is good reason to believe that the cruiser tonnage figures were discussed at yesterday's private meetings of the heads of delegations in Admiral Saito's room over a cup of tea, and that the naval experts more closely considered the matter to-day.

In view of the secrecy still maintained it is quite impossible to present to give any definite or complete picture of the actual situation, but it may be stated that the

disarmament.

Debate In House of Commons On Monday.

Rugby, July 7.
The Prime Minister stated in Parliament that a debate on disarmament would take place in the House of Commons on the Foreign Office vote on Monday.—British Wireless Service.

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RAWALPINDI	16,619	22nd July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	5th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,956	9th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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The line was founded by a group of Hamburg merchants on May 27, 1847, under the leadership of August Böltzen, with a capital of 450,000 marks (approximately \$112,000) to establish regular connections between Hamburg and New York. In 1848 the fleet comprised three sailing vessels, the "Deutschland," Nordamerika and Rhein.

Transatlantic Trips.

In 1856 the line inaugurated a trans-Atlantic steamship service with the steamers "Borussia" and "Hammonia." These were 2,026 tons, back-rigged, screw steamers, each with one funnel. They were 320 feet long and 41 feet wide and maintained a speed of 12 1/2 knots, making the voyage in fourteen days.

With new additions to the company's fleet and the expansion of its services, the business grew steadily, until in 1885 the fleet consisted of twenty ocean steamers, which carried a total of 58,000 passengers and 420,000 tons of freight in 126 round voyages.

Ballin Foresight.

In 1886 Albert Ballin became affiliated with the line. Due to his foresight, his untiring energy and activity, the Hamburg-American Line attained the pre-eminent position it enjoys in shipping circles prior to the World War. He planned an extensive shipbuilding campaign shortly after his entry into the company's management, and as a result thereof of regular weekly service was introduced in the North Atlantic service by the twin-screw passenger liners "Augusta Victoria," "Columbia," "Normania," and "Fuerst Bismarck."

New freight and passenger ships were constructed and placed in operation, other lines were acquired, and new services established to various parts of the world, until, in 1914, the Hamburg-American Line was the greatest private steamship enterprise in the world.

The fleet at this time included 194 ocean steamers and 245 smaller harbour craft of various kinds, with a gross register of 1,360,360 tons, operating twenty-four different routes and serving more than 400 ports around the world. It included the largest and most modern steamers afloat—the "Imperator," "Vaterland" and "Bismarck,"

which were so constructed and appointed to offer the passenger every possible comfort and luxury.

During Mr. Ballin's regime the pleasure cruise was originated, and in 1890 the "Augusta Victoria" made the first extended cruise to the Mediterranean and Orient.

Six New Steamers.

Immediately after the war, upon Albert Ballin's death, his co-workers applied themselves with zeal and energy toward rebuilding the shattered organisation. At that time Dr. Wilhelm Cuno became general director. Since then six new steamers have been built for the New York service, the "Albert Ballin," "Deutschland," "Hamburg," "New York," "Westphalia" and "Thuringia." Recovery of the pre-war prestige of the line has been one of the marvels of the shipping world.

In 1920 the line entered into an agreement with the Harriman shipping interests, providing for co-operation of these two parties for a period of twenty years, effecting primarily the passenger and freight service between "Hamburg" and "New York." In August, 1926, this agreement was dissolved to the mutual satisfaction of the line and the three United American Lines ships, the "Resolute," "Reliance" and "Cleveland," were acquired by the Hamburg-American Line.

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T'au via Swatow & Shai FOOSHING Fri, 15th July, at 6 a.m.

Canton HOPSANG Sun, 17th July, at 10 a.m.

T'au via Swatow & Shai FOOSHING Wed, 20th July, at 10 p.m.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

REGARDING COLONIAL ALLOWANCES.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail")

Sir.—I wonder, if through the medium of your valuable paper, I could obtain the information required on the above subject. I would ask, (a) When is Colonial allowance admissible and why? (b) Why is it granted ONLY to Officers in China?

I have always opined, that Colonial allowance was granted to officers and other ranks, for one of two reasons (apart, of course, from the very essential qualification that they must be serving in a Colony). That the accommodation for officers and O.R.'s is not exactly what it should be, that is to say, it is not exactly up to the required standard, or, (II) that the cost of living is abnormally high in the Colony. I contend that, if any one of the reasons quoted is a basis for the grant of Colonial allowance; then the British soldier, serving in China, is entitled to such payment be he officer or otherwise. My chief reason for thinking so is this:—

I had the good fortune (?) to serve in Mesopotamia during the whole of 1923, during which period, all officers and O.R.'s of the unit in which I was serving, were in receipt of Colonial allowance, from the date of arrival in Basra, until the day of departure; the rate payable to a soldier under the rank of Sergeant, being one shilling and eight pence per diem.

The Barracks in Himsid, just on the outskirts of Baghdad, was a Palace in comparison to the Rope Factory at Mau Tau Kok, at least, one didn't have to live and have his being on the "sardine principle," without fans, and in the vicinity of a pig's slaughterhouse. As a matter of fact, living under such conditions, would not be tolerated in Mesopotamia, during the period under review.

The prices of foodstuffs, cigarettes, and other necessities of the soldier, were no dearer, than they

were in Hong Kong at the moment.

Woodbines cost 10 cents, Gold Flake and Players 15 cents, and Capstan's 17 cents. Why Capstans are 17 cents I am sorry I can't say, but they are 17 cents anywhere.

"British Boy" can't make out why Gold Flake, Players, and Capstan's all cost the same price at Home, i.e. 6d. per packet, and out here they cost so much as 15 and 17 cents a packet. Perhaps after a little more service in the country he will understand that there are 25 cents in 6d., therefore the actual price of Gold Flake and Players is only 3 1/4d., and Capstan's 4 1/4d., which is less than he has to pay for his "posh" fags at Home.

He says that through having been charged 17 cents for his Capstans, it goes to prove the story that he has heard from some Barrack Room Lawyer, to the effect that the Y.M.C.A. did nothing else during the Great War, but rob the troops.

Does this "British Boy" realise for one minute how he must have hurt the feelings of those ladies and gentlemen who every night in the week, work hard in their spare time, behind the counter of the Y.M.C.A. to make us chaps feel comfortable away from home?

I served during the Great War, and made use of the Y.M.C.A. and found no cause for complaint, but say the same as I say about them out here, that they are a Godsend. This place is miserable to a lot of us; but for the Y.M.C.A. it would be worse. I have also for years after the war, made use of the Y.M.C.A. at Home and in India and found no complaint.

Compare the Y.M.C.A. with the N.A.A.F.I. When we came out here, we had to pay 14 cents for a packet of Woodbines, and 10 cents for a bottle of lemonade. At present in the N.A.A.F.I., a bottle of lemonade costs 6 cents, and not kept in ice. In the Y.M.C.A. lemonade kept in ice only costs 5 cents.

Their tea is plentiful, and their cakes are large and a good variety. Over and above this, free writing paper, envelopes, pen and ink are supplied, books and newspapers to read, games to play, whist drives, outings, and concerts are arranged to amuse us, and you can eat or drink with safety, for everything is kept spotlessly clean.

I sincerely hope that those

Indies and gentlemen of the Y.M.C.A. who are giving their

spare time to make us chaps

comfortable, won't take "British Boy's" false accusations sorely to heart, and think that his opinion is the opinion of BRITISH SOLDIERS.

We appreciate your great efforts to keep us happy, and trust that the Y.M.C.A. will carry on its good work, and I ask "British Boy," if he is British, to be BRITISH, and make his identity known along with a letter of apology to the ladies and gentlemen whom he has falsely accused of robbing him.

"British Boy," take my tip, and in future look before you leap, and never again let your ignorance get the better of you!

Yours, etc.,
90th.

COMMENT & INDIGNATION

(To the Editor of the "China Mail")

Sir.—May I encroach once more on the columns of your valuable paper re "Tommy's Smokes"?

I am very glad to see the number of letters that have been sent to the Press regarding "Tommy's Smokes" and to see that we have

gentlemen as well as men in the British Army.

"British Boy" will now perhaps realise the enormous mistake he has made. It has caused endless comment and indignation among the whole of the troops in the Colony, and I sincerely hope he has the manliness and decency to make a public written apology to the ladies and gentlemen of the Y.M.C.A.

Yours, etc.,
"QUEEN'S."

PERVERTER OF TRUTH.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail")

Sir.—With reference to "British Boy's" letter under the above heading appearing in your paper on the 3rd inst., may I have the pleasure of answering his letter through your columns?

I like many more of my companions serving with the Defence Force, was astonished to open the paper on the 3rd inst., and find there a letter inserted by a British soldier, accusing the Y.M.C.A. of robbing the British Forces.

He states that he was robbed of two cents, by having to pay 17 cents for a packet of Capstan cigarettes, his "posh" fags, as he

can purchase the same cigarettes outside from the Chink for 15 cents. Please excuse me, dear "British Boy" for calling you a liar.

paper advertising. Hence the growth in annual volume of this form of publicity. Think of what the world would be without newspapers. And think of what the newspapers would be without advertisements. As has been said before, "great is advertising, and the greatest of all advertising is newspaper advertising."

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

As a train was going through a station, one of the passengers leaned out of the window, overbalanced, and fell out. Fortunately he landed on a sand heap, so that he did himself no great injury. "What shall I do?" he asked a porter.

"You're all right, mister," said the porter calmly, "your ticket allows you to break your journey."

A London item says that suits of tomato red, sunshine yellow, and raisin purple will be worn by the well-dressed Englishman this year. "If the recommendations of the National Federation of Merchant Tailors are accepted by the public!" If! One tailor might make an Englishman a "tomato red" or "sunshine yellow," or "raisin purple" suit, but forty tailors would not be able to make the average Englishman wear it.

Doctor: "Now, with regard to that cut on the top of your head, I don't think it will be serious, but you must keep your eye on it."

He had been dinnning too well with a friend who prided himself on the possession of a small art gallery.

After dinner they adjourned to the art gallery, and the friend pointed out a landscape and asked: "Well, what do you think of that? Isn't it fine?"

The answer came rather unsteadily: "I am working for the support of literature."

"What are you doing?"

Making bookcases."

"Do you believe that story about Lot's wife?" I asked a friend.

"Dunno. Haven't thought of it," said he.

"How surprised the old chap must have been when he found his wife salt."

"No more than I was when I found mine was pepper."

After that there was no more to be said.

When it comes to concrete roads, motorists have no objection to having a hard road to travel.

The one on the ground: Hey there, lady, you just ran over my foot.

The one in the car: Oh, I'm so sorry.

"That's all right, lady, I have another one."

He: There's too much rouge on your lips.

She: Well, you know what you can do, don't you?

"Her smooth boneless hands were clasped."—Serial in Home paper.

A Cape ostrich at the London Zoo died as a result of trying to swallow a tin-opener.

The poor bird was under the delusion it was canned.

When money is "tight" it means it is locked up. Often the same happens to a man.

"Hands up!"

"I can't! I've broken my braces."

"But where are you off to, mother?"

"I'm going home to dress myself decently—like the others."

Examiner: "Can you tell me the principal parts of the rifle?"

"Hush! Don't ask me to divulge the secrets of the National Defence."

An inscription on a tombstone: "John Dixon struck a match to see if there was petrol in his tank. There was. Aged fifty-six."

Mrs. Gossippe (in conversation intended for adult ears only): "My dear, have you heard that a-w-f-u-l-t-a-i-s about Mrs. Cro-s-y and Cap-t-a-i-n? It's simply s-c-a-n-d-a-l-o-u-s!"

Peggy: "There's only one T in scandalous, mummy."

Hostess: "Mr. Macpherson, would you like something Scotch—the real thing?"

Macpherson: "Well, that's awfully good of you."

Hostess: "Of course you would. May, bring out that pot of Dundee marmalade?"

The village fire brigade had not had a job for years, but at last they had a call, and they manfully trundled their engine to the spot. When they arrived, smoke was issuing from the building, but no flames.

Captain walked round the place once or twice, and then lit his pipe and began to smoke. "We'd better leave it alone and let it burn up a bit," he said. "Then we'll be able to see what we are doing."

LOCAL RADIO.

AMBITION SCHEME FOR BROADCASTING.

HOPE FOR FUTURE.

An ambitious scheme for broadcasting locally music, news items and lectures on current topics was outlined by Mr. R. Sutherland at the annual meeting yesterday of the Hong Kong Radio Society.

The scheme is in connection with the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment organisation and the transmitter it is proposed to use is that bought from the local radio Society. As there were several drawbacks to the previous site of the Radio Society's experiments with the set—at the "South China Morning Post" building—owing to proximity to the Post Office, the set has been installed at No. 23 Praya East which it is proposed to make the new broadcasting centre.

Generous Donation.

The scheme is held up at present, by the lack of valves, the purchase of which was being arranged for. A certain amount of funds are in hand, it was indicated, owing to the generosity of a prominent local sporting club which had made a donation to the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee, earmarking a portion for wireless experimental purposes.

This money, however, was gradually being eaten into, said Mr. Sutherland, and they would be very glad if anyone who had the interests of wireless and the scheme at heart would send in donations either to Mr. Hunt of the Y.M.C.A. or to himself. He was not blind to the fact that there might be disappointments in connection with the scheme said Mr. Sutherland. He had been told by those with a full knowledge of wireless and local conditions that the difficulties were such that no scheme would be a success.

With all deference to the opinions of those who were acquainted with the peculiar local conditions to be overcome, he looked back to a local demonstration of wireless communication between Hong Kong and Kowloon which had been arranged some six or seven years ago when he, together with other shipping representatives, had been present.

Reason For Optimism.

On that occasion, those listening in could hear those taking part before the microphone at the transmitting end as easily as if they had been in the same room. If such results could be obtained at that time, he was of the opinion that to-day, with the many improvements which had taken place, the present scheme was quite feasible, said Mr. Sutherland.

If the scheme materialised—and there was every indication that it would—it was proposed to install receiving sets in the present temporary military depots and hospitals, civilian hospitals and various other places such as the three Y.M.C.A.'s, Seamen's Home, Soldiers' Club, Naval Canteen and the Sailors' Home. In the winter time, again, there would be the troop camp in the New Territories.

The Navy had not been left out of their calculations and it was hoped to loan or provide receiving sets for the warships in harbour. An important consideration was the claim of the flotilla on the Canton delta. He had been told by the men on the patrol boats that a band concert at night would be a very welcome diversion in what was a lonely sort of life.

Current Topics Lectures.

Mr. Sutherland indicated that preliminary permission had been given for the aid of the various military bands at present in the Colony, and regarding other entertainment he had no hesitation in saying that if they were to take the generous work of those who were now providing the troops with concerts as a criterion, they need not have any fear that there would be insufficient artistes to provide concerts. The University had also been got in touch with and the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Hornell, and the professors had promised to give the scheme all possible assistance.

In the programmes it was hoped to broadcast, they intended to include, in addition to entertainment lectures and essays on various subjects, particular interest being paid to China, Japan and nearby countries. The Government had also indicated interest and willingness to co-operate and there did not appear to be any difficulties in the way of Government permission for the power it was intended to use for transmitting. If financial assistance was required, it was

UNUSUAL ACCIDENT.

WORKMAN INJURED IN LIFT SHAFT.

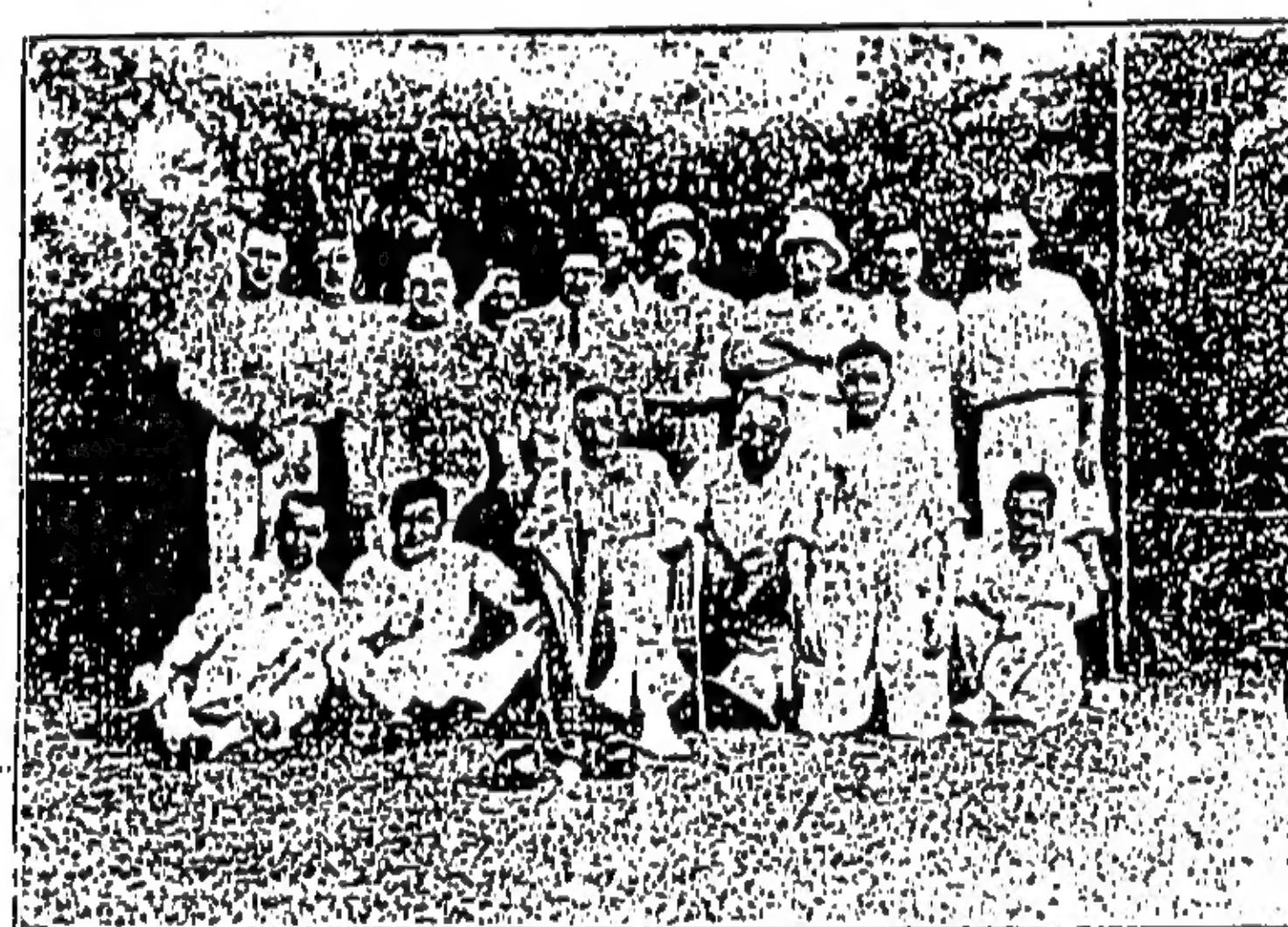
CHINA BUILDING MISHAP.

A somewhat unusual accident occurred in the China Building soon after 9 a.m. to-day, the victim being a contractor's man, who was engaged in whitewashing one of the lift shafts. As it was impossible to erect scaffolding in the narrow confines of the shaft, the man did his work from the roof of the lift, the liftman taking him a few feet higher up the shaft as the work proceeded.

The lift having reached the top floor level this morning, the current was automatically cut off so that the lift could not proceed higher unless the lock lever was released by the man in charge of the lift motor situated on the roof of the building.

Not realising this, the workman stuck his head out of an air opening on the side of the shaft, just above the roof of the lift, and called out to the liftman to put on more current. The motorman on the roof heard the call and thinking it had come from the liftman, he released the lock lever. The lift moved a couple of feet above the top floor level, and workman's head was caught in the top of the air opening. He was badly injured.

Luckily the liftman reversed when he felt the jolt, and returning to the top floor level, he left the lift and went for assistance, and the injured man was extricated. The police and a doctor were sent for, and after the man had been given an injection of morphine he was taken to the Government Civil Hospital by Detective Sergeant MacDonald. Everything is being done for the unfortunate man, and as his neck was not broken, hope is entertained of saving his life.



Photograph taken at Taipo last Sunday afternoon when the Taipo bowlers beat the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by 41-18.

ROBBERS' AUDACITY.

A grocer's shop in the Main Street, Kowloon City, was raided by three armed robbers at 8 o'clock last night. The men did not make any attempt to conceal the reason of their visit. They frankly said that they had not come to purchase anything, they simply wanted money.

The master of the shop and his foks were completely taken back by the audacity of the robbers, and were easily cowed. While the men with the revolvers kept guard over the herded shop people, the other man broke open the till and helped himself to all the takings, amounting to \$152. All three men then coolly walked out of the shop and made good their escape.

hoped that the Government would not turn a deaf ear.

Future Development.

The point arose that the troops now in Hong Kong which had given the spur to the movement were only here for a certain length of time. It seemed to him, however, that if broadcasting could only be started some permanent interest might develop in the future. Hong Kong seemed to be lamentably behind in radio matters. The Colony was still short of direction finding apparatus but he thought everyone would agree it was a great pleasure to know that the Government had at last awakened and was taking the matter in hand.

In conclusion, Mr. Sutherland said he thought the scheme was of considerable interest to the Radio Society. It might be the means of pulling the Society together and making radio in Hong Kong a little more successful than it had been in the past.

Radio Society Officers.

The annual report and balance sheet of the Society were adopted and the following officers elected:—President, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Vice-President, Mr. A. J. Cherterton, Hon. Secretary, Mr. H. C. Swinburne, Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. R. Way, Committee:—Messrs. D. Tolan, G. F. Taylor, Q. M. S. Roberts, H. C. Fung, P. A. Rosario, and Dr. Tai Tung-kee.

ILLEGAL STRIKES.

LOCAL MEASURE BECOMES LAW.

YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

Support was given at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council to the Bill declaring and amending the law relating to illegal strikes and lock-outs, Sir Shou-son Chow speaking in favour of the Chinese community and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton on behalf of the Justices of the Peace.

The Bill was read a second and third time and passed.

The Attorney-General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.) referred to minor amendments in the original draft.

Sir Shou-son Chow, speaking on behalf of himself and fellow representative of the Chinese community, said they considered the Bill very necessary and thought it would go a long way to preventing the political strikes such as had been experienced in 1922 and 1925. The measure was not in the nature of class legislation as it affected the actions of employers as well as employees, neither was it in any way a racial measure as its effects were irrespective of race or creed.

Protecting Workmen.

One of the basic principles of the Bill, said Sir Shou-son Chow, was to afford protection to the law abiding workman who only wanted to be left alone to earn an honest living. Strikes were double-edged weapons which injured the strikers just as well as the people struck against. They caused untold losses and widespread distress and misery to all classes.

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He contended that there could be no case against the defendant unless it could be proved that he had actually taken the electricity himself. Defendant could not be held criminally responsible for the action of an agent.

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Mr. W. E. L. Shenton supported the Bill as representative of the Justices of the Peace. It was essential in this Colony, he said, that we should entirely control our own house, and equally essential that we should be in position to ensure that there should be no interference from without. As to whether the strikes of 1922 or 1925 were illegal strikes or would have become illegal strikes he did not think any good purpose would be served in investigating at the present time but what was needed—and this was what the Bill provided—was a statutory declaration as to what was an illegal strike.

Mr. Shenton reviewed the various provisions of the Bill, summarising the more vital ones as determining the right of the individual to carry on his avocations according to his own wishes, the right of the individual to exercise his own discretion, the right of the public to protection

"THE ROSARY."

WILBUR SUCCESS AT THE STAR THEATRE.

NEW FARCE TO-MORROW.

The Wilbur Players at the Star Theatre last night made a success of a four act "comedy-drama" called "The Rosary." Through it runs the strains of the familiar song. Mr. N. Anthony Baker, who seems to have a penchant for clerical parts—he has given us two studies of parsons in the three plays so far produced this season by the Wilburs—was a capital Irish-American priest, Father Kelly by name. Still, Mr. Baker is always good, is a sterling actor and one who can keep a company together as well as getting the most out of his own part. Next I liked Mr. Michael Dupre, who took the part of a youngster very much in love with an Irish lass who won't marry him because he doesn't know much about that wonderful and sorrowful country, begorrah! Mr. Dupre was a smallish part, but it was excellently rendered. Of the ladies Miss Florence Printy gave a capable double role as a pair of sisters and Miss Florence Underhill was a mirth provoking "slavery," proving a delightful butt for the witticisms of Mr. Richard Wilbur, in the part of an ex-prize fighter turned butler. Mr. Kenward Wright was as beastly as a stage villain is expected to be, and gave a good interpretation of a polished rogue who financially ruins his friend, makes love to his friend's wife, and betrays his friend's wife's sister. As the friend Mr. Kneland Parker did not seem at home in the part and at times overacted. His "tense" passages didn't seem to come across to the audience. Still, "The Rosary" provided an enjoyable evening's entertainment. To-morrow the Wilbur Players present "The Whole Town's Talking."

OBITUARIES.

MR. ROBERT PERRIE OF TAIKOO.

KEEN BOWLS DEVOTEE.

News has been received of the death at his home in Greenock of Mr. Robert Perrie, until recently a member of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery and an ardent devotee of the game of bowls. He was a member of the Taikoo Club and his interest in the welfare of the Quarry Bay community, his genial personality and unfailing good nature won him the respect and esteem of all the Taikoo residents and many outside that community.

Mr. Perrie for twenty years of his association with the Sugar Refinery had not left the Colony, and it was only on medical advice that he left last year, retiring from his position with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. It appears that Mr. Perrie contracted a chill whilst on a visit to his daughter in Ireland and he passed away at Greenock on June 1.

Two daughters and a son, the latter being on the China coast, are left to mourn his loss.

Mr. E. J. da Silva Loureiro.

The death took place yesterday of Mr. Eduardo Jose de Silva Loureiro, one of the oldest Portuguese residents in Hong Kong. Mr. Loureiro, who was sixty years of age, had lived in the Colony about forty years and had been associated with several local companies. For some years he was accountant of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels. There was a large attendance at the funeral at Happy Valley yesterday.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

—H. C.

CURRENT STOLEN?

CHARGE AGAIN RESTAURANT PARTNER.

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BOY'S FATAL PRANK.

Nine persons, including six women, were killed, eleven seriously injured, and many slightly injured at Cassel (Germany) as the result of a small boy's prank.

A crowded tram was standing at a terminus at the top of an incline when a schoolboy began tampering with the brake in the absence of the driver. Suddenly the car began to move forward, and increased its pace so that the terrified passengers were unable to get out.

At the bottom of the hill it left the lines and crashed into an iron scaffolding and finally overturned into a ditch, burying the passengers underneath.

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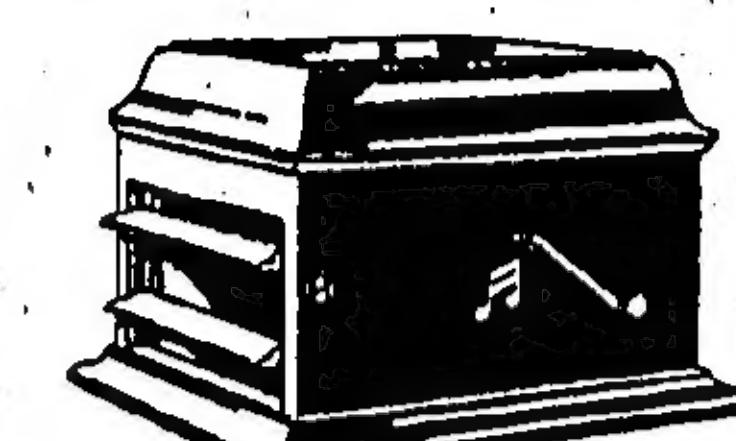
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

A public lecture will be given by Mr. M. Manuk on Sunday, July 10, at 11 a.m., at the Hong Kong Lodge, the Theosophical Society (7, Duddell Street).

Remarking that he was not going to be beaten by a girl, a nine-years-old Leeds boy, Thomas Kidney, son of a steeplejack, climbed a 158ft. chimney stack of the Hunslet steelworks. He was determined to do better than the Leeds girl who climbed a 150ft. chimney. Thomas began climbing when he was five-years-old. His climb was seen by his grandfather, who was also a steeplejack.

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Sir Austen Chamberlain, at the House of Commons, has received an influential deputation introduced by Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., from the China Association, who were able to lay before the Foreign Secretary the latest information from China from trading sources. This information had been obtained from representatives of firms located in China who have just arrived in Britain, and it showed that those who were regarded as Chinese Nationalist generals were some of them little or nothing better than bandit captains, and that good trade was being done. Sir Austen thanked the deputation for the information given, and promised to give the views put forward every consideration.

Thanks to the efforts of the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association and Mr. Stenton Covington, of Streatham, the old-world Prince's-square, Kennington, S.E., is to be preserved as an open space for the benefit of the inhabitants of that congested district. This square, which has many of the characteristics of which Dickens used to write, was in danger of being built over, but Mr. Stenton Covington now writes:—"The whole of the purchase-money—\$2,250—has been subscribed, as well as a contribution towards the cost of laying out the square, which has been undertaken by the Lambeth Borough Council, who will maintain it as a public open space.

A petition for the winding up of Davis Co., Ltd. will be heard in the Supreme Court on July 27. Further particulars appear in the advertisement columns.

A gipsy soothsayer at Riga, named Flink, who in January predicted the outbreak of war between Russia and Western European Power in October, has greatly increased his clientele since the British break with the Soviet Government. Flink, whose patrons include leading Latvian politicians and business men, is noted throughout the Baltic States for the accuracy of his forecasts and prophecies. He predicts that Communist rule in Russia will end this year.

The Repulse Bay Road via Wongneichung Gap, is not yet officially re-opened to motor traffic. Work is still proceeding on clearing the road of the heavy rocks which were brought down by the landslide on Saturday afternoon half way between the Gap and Repulse Bay. It is hoped to have the road open in time for the afternoon "trek" tomorrow.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, at the House of Commons, has received an influential deputation introduced by Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., from the China Association, who were able to lay before the Foreign Secretary the latest information from China from trading sources. This information had been obtained from representatives of firms located in China who have just arrived in Britain, and it showed that those who were regarded as Chinese Nationalist generals were some of them little or nothing better than bandit captains, and that good trade was being done. Sir Austen thanked the deputation for the information given, and promised to give the views put forward every consideration.

The plentiful and still increasing supply of crude petroleum in the United States is giving an added fillip to the use of fuel oil, in spite of cheap coal, and the process of "Dieselisation," as the American style it is going on at an accelerated rate. While on the one hand there is some tendency to convert steamers into oil burners, the more general process is to convert them into motorships by installing Diesel engines. However it may turn out on this side of the Atlantic, Americans are satisfied that a fairly long period of cheap oil is before them.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Despatches from Los Angeles state that the will of the late book collector and philanthropist, Henry E. Huntington, provided, inter alia, for the erection of a hospital at Los Angeles to cost \$2,000,000, in honour of his uncle and his son Howard. It is also stated that during the year 1922 the testator made a bequest of \$50,000,000 for a public

News has been received in the Colony that Mr. R. C. Lee, the son of Mr. Lee Hysan, has succeeded in passing his final examination for the Bachelor of Arts degree, at Pembroke College, Oxford. Mr. Lee is shortly returning to Hong Kong and is expected here towards the end of August.

The death is announced of Sir Arthur Francis Whinney, president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, in a London nursing home, in his 62nd year. He was senior partner in the firm of Whinney, Smith and Whinney, and he played a leading part in many important business amalgamations and reconstructions. He was one of the liquidators of the British Empire Exhibition, and at one time or another he occupied the posts of Adviser on Costs of Production to the Admiralty, Assistant Accountant-General of the Navy and Adviser and Consultant to the Admiralty in Accountancy, and chairman of Board of Trade committees under the Safeguarding of Industries Inquiry. In the region of economics and finance, in the present difficult times, he was one of the public men whose words and writings attracted widespread attention.

For Wednesday evening St. Peter's Young Men's Club has arranged a moonlight picnic to Repulse Bay. The launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8 p.m. The fare is 60 cents for members and ladies, and 80 cents for non-members. Tea only will be provided. Refreshments, such as cakes and pastries, will be obtainable on board at nominal rates. If the party exceeds 100 arrangements will be made to secure a larger launch, possibly a former Star Ferry launch. A string band will be present. Next Friday night there is a whist drive at St. John's Cathedral Hall, beginning at 8.30 sharp. There will be light refreshments provided. To-night there is a ping-pong tournament at the Club house, and to-morrow afternoon there is the usual weekly launch picnic.

The public matshed at the Repulse Bay will be opened on Sunday, July 10. Cubicles will be reserved for two persons at 20 cents per person. The sole use of a cubicle will cost 40 cents.

Workers in a vineyard, surprised by a cloudburst near Cenecero, Northern Spain, took refuge in cabins beside a sunken road which was soon converted into a torrent. Several cabins were washed away, five vine-hands, two women, and a carabinier being drowned. The flood carried away railway embankment and did great damage to vineyards and standing crops.

The Rev. W. Hunt, Rector of Munsley (Herefordshire) claims to have discovered that Hamlet was buried either in the church or in the churchyard. Mr. Hunt has deciphered an inscription on a slab of stone two feet square, reading "Hamlet, the Danish Prince." Mr. Hunt is now looking for the sarcophagus. He believes that the grave may be in the east end of the church.

A strange and fascinating new industry was brought to my notice in a workshop on the banks of the Thames the other day, says a writer in a shipping paper. Here a group of expert carpenters are busy carving up old hatches, and making them into garden chairs and seats. Castle's Shipbreaking Co. was established at Baltic Wharf, Westminster, as long ago as 1898. And the furniture they produce out of man-of-war teak is unique for out-of-door purposes. In fact, the more it is left in the wind and the rain the better it grows, and the more mellow its appearance becomes.

Is history to repeat itself in regard to the house of the merchants of the City? I have just heard the interesting suggestion that for a double purpose some of the upper storeys of business premises are to be utilised as flats, writes the London correspondent of a Liverpool paper. Notwithstanding impressions to the contrary, it is possible for an office in the very heart of the business parts of London to remain untenanted for quite an appreciable period. Some of the newly-erected buildings have a whole floor for which there are no applicants. At the same time, business men who live in the country are experiencing difficulty in reaching business and in parking or garaging their cars. Some of them are, accordingly, trying the experiment of living above their businesses for five days in the week, as their forefathers did throughout the year.

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SPORTS SECTION

LAWN BOWLS.

DOCKS RIVALRY AT TAIKOO.

WILL LEADERS FALL?

OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS.

(By "Short Head.")

Provided that the weather is kinder to-morrow than a week ago there should be some thrills provided in the Bowls League. The main event in the First Division is the visit of the leaders—the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club to Taikoo, where a great clash may be anticipated. Few Clubs can play the Taikoo Recreation Club on this ground and return home with the coveted points. The Kowloon Dock, however, did it last season, when they secured a win by the rather sensational majority of 32 points. If they can repeat that performance to-morrow the championship is as good as won. The Taikoo Club have so far lost only one match and a win to-morrow would virtually place them level with their Dock rivals in Kowloon as the latter have played one game more. Taking a line through their match against the K.C.C. at Kowloon recently they ought to prove good enough even for the stronger Kowloon Dock rinks, in which event the destiny of the championship will be very open indeed.

The Police Recreation Club are at home to their near neighbours, the Craigengower Cricket Club, who won the encounter a year ago by the barest possible margin of one shot on a Saturday, when this was the only match played owing to inclement weather. This season the Craigengower Club won on their own green by 18 shots, so that there is not very much between the two teams on form. Both have played the same number of games, and the Craigengower are a couple of points better off than the Police.

Having tasted "blood" at the expense of the Kowloon Cricket Club, the Civil Service Cricket Club are bent to-morrow on adding another Kowloon scalp to their laurels when they meet the Bowling Green Club at Happy Valley. Last season the Civil Servants won on their own green by 14 points, and this should just about represent the difference between them again to-morrow. The Kowloon team, however, are just as good fighters away as at home, as witness their defeat of the Police at the Valley, so that their hosts of to-morrow cannot afford to take them too cheaply.

Second Division.

In the Second Division the principal fixture is between the Craigengower Cricket Club and the Kowloon Cricket Club at Happy Valley. Last season, with different personnel, the Kowloon Cricketers won by one point, and owing to the precarious position of the first string this season they will be all out for the points to-morrow. The Craigengower C.C. have, on the whole, been disappointing this season so far, only winning one out of seven matches, which does not make for confidence in tipping them to win to-morrow.

The East Point Recreation Club are at home to the Civil Service Cricket Club and are looking forward to repeating their victory of a year ago by 32 shots. The Civil Servants will have to improve on their display against the Kowloon Cricket Club recently, when they ran away from their opponents at the start and then literally threw the points away.

MATCH POSTPONED.

The Yacht Club should have played the Taikoo R.C. but their ground is not yet ready and as there is no other available green on the Hong Kong side the match has been postponed to later in the season. It is said that the Yacht Club offered to concede the two points, but this Taikoo R.C. sportingly declined, preferring to play at a later date.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

First Division.

Taikoo R.C. v. Kowloon Dock R.C.

Police R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.

Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

Second Division.

East Point R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.

Craigengower C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Kowloon B.G.C. v. Club de Recreio.

TEAMS FOR TO-MORROW.

The following are the probable teams for to-morrow:

First Division.

Civil Service C.C.—B. E. Maughan, H. Westlake, sen., P. Keegan, and J. W. Deakin (skip); T. Laing, R. A. Smith, A. Hollidge, and T. D. E. Pendered (skip); H. H. Rose, A. O. Brown, A. Grinnell, and A. H. Oswick (skip).

Kowloon Bowling Green Club.—W. Hedley, J. Magill, D. Muir, and W. Macfarlane (skip); R. Duncan, T. Ferguson, P. T. Farrell, and A. M. Holland (skip); D. Hazel, D. Harvey, A. Macfarlane, and W. Russell (skip).

Kowloon Dock R.C.—D. M. Neilson, G. Henderson, J. O. McLaggan, and S. Gray (skip); J. Scott Atkinson, J. V. Ramsay, J. A. Lindsay, and F. Cullen (skip); A. Gourlay, H. G. Cooper, W. Greig, and R. Lapsley (skip).

Police R.C.—Collins, Hollands, Reid, and Moss (skip); G. Denning, Marks, Condon, and Sword (skip); Greenwood, Wiltshire, West, and Mair (skip).

Taikoo R.C.—W. Weir, J. Whyte, J. Russell, and W. Wotherspoon (skip); T. Young, W. F. Seath, G. McLeod, and W. Wallace (skip); T. Grimes, J. Muirhead, J. Laing, and G. Morrison (skip).

C.C.—W. B. Muskett, M. A. R. Souza, C. Bennett, and R. Basa (skip); W. T. Brightman, C. S. Rosset, E. Arculli, and D. Rumjahn (skip); F. J. Neves, D. Fritz, C. M. S. Alves, and U. M. Omar (skip).

Second Division.

Club de Recreio.—H. Alves, J. A. V. Ribeiro, C. E. Marques, and A. Ribeiro (skip); C. F. Vas, F. E. A. Remedios, C. A. Lopes, and J. Ribeiro (skip); F. X. Silva, L. A. Rocha, C. Silva, and L. C. Souza (skip).

Civil Service C.C.—S. Eccleshall, Jones, F. H. W. Haynes, and J. Massey (skip); Simmonds, J. Beattie, Archibald, and Taylor (skip); Holdman, Bickford, A. E. Murphy, and S. Alderman (skip).

Kowloon Bowling Green Club.—F. W. Hale, G. Hatt, G. B. Slipper, and D. F. Warren (skip); Forester, W. Cuff, A. Chapman, and R. Dixon (skip); J. Budding, and J. MacLachlan (skip).

K.C.C.—E. Kern, F. O. Lawrence, W. J. F. Gorvin, and A. Davidson (skip); B. Petheram, C. G. Harrison, G. Wrage, and F. C. Herridge (skip); W. W. Hirst, J. C. Lyal, J. Smith, and L. E. Lamerton (skip).

East Point C.C.—A. T. Hamilton, R. Williamson, G. M. Shaw, and R. McKeellar (skip); S. Baker, G. Vickers, A. K. Henderson, and H. M. McTavish (skip); F. G. Samways, A. Webster, R. H. Whiteford, and R. W. Lee (skip).

Craigengower Cricket Club.—D. K. Kharas, Y. Abbas, J. F. Lunny, and F. T. Knott (skip); A. E. Coates, W. E. Nicholson, R. F. Luz, and G. H. Bellwood (skip); F. K. Mod, R. A. Razack, C. A. Rodrigues, and H. Beer (skip).

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:

Division I.

P. W. D. L. Pts.
Kowloon Dock R.C. 6 6 0 0 12
Taikoo R.C. 5 4 0 1 8
Craigengower C.C. 6 3 0 3 6
Kowloon B.G.C. 4 2 0 2 4
Police R.C. 6 2 0 4 4
Civil Service C.C. 5 1 0 4 2
Kowloon C.C. 6 1 0 5 2

Shots for and Against.

For Agst. Up Da.

P. W. D. L. Pts.
Kowloon D.R.C. 387 236 101
Taikoo R.C. 313 260 53
Kowloon B.G.C. 250 221 29
Craigengower C.C. 346 329 17
Civil Service C.C. 280 300 14
Police R.C. 307 333 76
Kowloon C.C. 271 381 110

Division II.

P. W. D. L. Pts.
Kowloon C.C. 7 6 0 1 12
Kowloon B.G.C. 6 5 0 1 10
East Point R.C. 7 5 0 2 10
Taikoo R.C. 6 4 0 2 8
Civil Service C.C. 7 3 0 4 6
Club de Recreio 7 2 0 5 4
Royal H.K.Y.C. 5 0 0 5 0

Shots for and Against.

For Agst. Up Da.

P. W. D. L. Pts.
Kowloon B.G.C. 398 311 81
East Point R.C. 437 367 70
Kowloon C.C. 425 375 50
Civil Service C.C. 415 389 26
Royal H.K.Y.C. 257 343 86
Club de Recreio 348 439 96

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Results of the First Round.

With the exception of two ties the first round of the open singles championship has been completed. Amongst the surprises are defeats of U. M. Omar, a past champion and last year's runner up; F. Cullen, champion in 1925; W. Hill, A. G. Pile, T. D. Pendered, and R. Basa.

The results are as follows:—J. West walk over from N. Drummond.

L. T. Davies beat G. Wrage, G. McLeod walk over from R. W. Lee.

A. O. Brown beat H. Buchanan.

A. H. Oswick beat J. Massey, R. H. Whiteford beat H. McKechnie.

R. Lapsley beat W. R. Nicholson.

J. Laing beat E. el Arculli.

J. McLaggan beat W. Glen-dinning.

J. MacLachlan beat R. Basa.

J. T. Dobbie beat U. M. Omar.

C. M. S. Alves beat W. Hill.

J. Sloan beat A. G. Pile.

J. Muirhead beat B. E. Maughan.

A. Chapman beat F. Cullen.

A. M. Holland walk over from D. Hazel.

E. Kern beat C. Bennett.

T. Grimes beat J. Whyte.

H. Overy beat D. Rumjahn.

W. F. J. Gorvin beat D. Fritz.

R. A. Smith beat C. J. Tacchi.

J. Russell beat R. McKellar.

R. F. Luz beat T. D. E. Pendered.

C. Scott Atkinson beat W. Mair.

W. Macfarlane v. R. Sutherland (not yet played).

A. W. Gourlay beat H. McTavish.

A. L. Shields v. W. Wotherspoon (not yet played).

R. Duncan beat W. Sword.

Second Round.

The results so far in the second round are as follows:—W. Russell beat D. Reid.

J. McLaggan beat J. MacLachlan.

R. A. Smith beat J. Russell.

J. Scott Atkinson beat R. F. Luz.

Competitors are requested to accelerate the competition by playing off their second round ties as early as possible.

BOWLS CONVENERS.

For the convenience of Clubs we publish the following list of Bowls conveners and their office telephone numbers:

K.C.C.—W. Goldenberg, C. 1072.

Taikoo R.C.—W. O. Warnock, C. 212.

Yacht Club.—G. R. Edwards, C. 236.

Civil Service C.C.—R. A. Smith, C. 472.

C.B.C.—D. Hazel, K. 16.

Police R.C.—P. Condon, C. 15.

Club de Recreio.—L. Souza, C. 4463.

Kowloon Dock.—H. G. Cooper, K. 155.

East Point R.C.—H. McTavish, C. 72.

NO WATER POLO MATCH.

The water polo match, which had been arranged between the V.R.C. and the 12th. Heavy Battery R.A. for last evening did not take place owing to the soldiers failing to put in an appearance. After waiting some time a number of spectators went away disappointed.

IN SUMMER TIME.

WHERE DO FOOTBALLERS GO?

BUSY BEHIND THE SCENES.

His scores were repeatedly the best reported for a round, but as he was meeting lesser lights nobody took much notice until in the fifth round, he went out in 33 to beat C. C. Aymer, twice a British international against America, who was playing as well as he knew how to play. After that, people recognized that anything was possible to Tweddell.

Holes, Not the Man.

Until recently, Tweddell was supposed to lack the capacity to bring off a "kill" in a tight match; a good man in score competitions, but likely to be beaten at the 18th or 19th hole in a hand-to-hand duel.

Certainly he showed no such failing in this championship. His temperament, as well as his skill in hitting, the shots, reigned supreme. He says that he now tries to play the holes and not the man; that is to say, he concentrates his attention on obtaining the par figures or better, and leaves his opponent to worry about the personal equation.

The final, after the first hole was so much in the nature of a procession that a detailed description of it would be burdensome.

Tweddell must have played positively the worst golf that he has known since he became a member of the club here in 1922.

He won the first hole and looked like winning the second until Tweddell got down a putt of five yards for a hole.

After that the avalanche, Tweddell played five holes in his best scoring manner—every one at par—and won them all.

He went round in 76, and his lead of 8 holes at the end of the morning round has been exceeded only once in the history of the game.

Tweddell lost two holes early in the afternoon and then resumed his successful pursuit of par figures, which was the only pleasant entertainment for a crowd of 4,000 people.

He is the first player to take the Spanish Main trophy to the Midlands—something of a cosmopolitan in his Durham birth, Yorkshire training, and Worcester residence, but a striking new personality in the game.—"Daily Mail."

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Spanish Main has just experienced a pirate's treasure hoard thrill. Workmen excavating on the Spanish Main suddenly struck an ancient-looking chest which, on being broken open, was found to contain silver coins. At once the story arose that at long last the centuries' sought for treasure store of the famous Captain Kidd had been unearthed.

Treasure seekers rushed from all parts, but when experts came along they cleaned the coins and found them all dated about the year 1887, and further investigation led to the conclusion that the chest had been lost from an excursion steamer of those days.

Meanwhile, from Panama comes a much more interesting story of a supposed treasure store discovery of two Englishmen, after much research, under a concession giving them exclusive rights to hunt for treasure in the Republic for five years. They believe that they have located stolen treasure buried by the notorious British pirate Sir Henry Morgan, in 1671. Already gold and precious stones have been recovered beneath the ruins of the San Jose church which Morgan, the pirate, destroyed when he invaded Panama 200 miles in an open boat.

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TWO YOUNG MEN.

BUSINESS ROMANCE OF STAGE LIFE.

Two young men who began a business partnership a year ago in one room and with a joint capital of £100 have just taken over the Savoy Theatre, W.C.

They are Mr. C. Egerton Killick and Mr. Victor Payne-Jennings. They began to make money over theatre bars, cloak-rooms, programmes, and so forth. Now they have acquired from Mr. Robert Courtnidge the remainder of his lease (8 years) of the Savoy Theatre and thus become London's newest theatrical managers.

"Mr. Courtnidge still retains an option to produce plays at the theatre from time to time," Mr. Killick told a theatrical correspondent recently, "but for the most part, we shall now be in control of it. We shall submit it for suitable productions and, we hope, also produce plays ourselves."

LONDON'S NEW THEATRE.

London, April 10.
London's newest theatre, which will not be open to the general public, is now almost completed. It has been built by the Arts Theatre Club as a place where there may be produced regularly for short runs with professional casts new plays and revivals.

From the architectural point of view the new theatre is of exceptional interest. A somewhat old-fashioned building, with a shop looking out on Great Newport Street, has been cleverly converted by the well-known architect, M. P. Morley. Horder, into a theatre with a stage fully equipped with a grid and other accessories, stalls and circle to accommodate about 300 people, and attractively decorated club rooms. Considering the paucity of the space available, only the most skilful planning could have accomplished so much.

Another interesting feature of the building is the simplicity of the decorations. With the exception of a quaint symbolical emblem, designed by Mr. McKnight Kauffer, to symbolise the object of the theatre, the walls are plain. In the auditorium the audience will not be distracted in any way, either by the light which comes from a diffused panel in the ceiling, or by any ornaments.

The London County Council has not given a licence to the theatre, admission to which will be available only to members of the Club and their guests. Among the vice-presidents of the Club are: Dame Madge Kendal, Sir Gerald du Maurier, Lady Wyndham, Mr. Henry Ailey, Mr. Arnold Bennett, Sir Barry Jackson, and Miss Sybil Thorndike.—Observer.

ALBERT HALL ECHO.

The Royal Choral Society sang Haydn's "Creation" at the Albert Hall under Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

Anyone who is curious about the celebrated Albert Hall echo should choose a seat in the fourth row of the "K" stalls, where the whole thing was heard twice over.—Mr. Joseph Farrington's bass solos particularly clearly.

The effect lent weight to the ingenious suggestion that medieval polyphony had its origin in the echoes of the great Gothic cathedrals. The Albert Hall architect was evidently as fond of canonic device as César Franck himself.

"The Creation" is charming music, and no wonder the choir enjoyed singing it. Miss Noel Eade was the soprano—a pleasing, fresh voice but wanting a little in solidity. Mr. Walter Widdop and Mr. Farrington (who came out with a surprisingly fine low D in the famous phrase about the sinuous worm) did well.

WORLD OF ART.

THE RISE IN PICTURE VALUES.

1877 £262; 1927 £12,600.

"Valuable Pictures," from various sources formed the subject of the sale at Messrs. Sotheby's in mail week, when a total of £36,418 10s. was obtained.

Of this sum £18,000 was given by Messrs. Gooden and Fox (with Mr. Ernest Pernau as the under-bidder) for the three-quarter length portrait of Mr. Thomas Henry Rumbold, as a young man, by Reynolds, which was painted in 1788 and exhibited at the Old Masters Exhibition at Burlington House in 1887.

This is a record price at auction for a male portrait by Reynolds.

In the Raeburn family's sale (May, 7th, 1871), the portrait of William Scott-Elliott, of Arkleton (b. 1811, d. 1901) as a child, by Raeburn, fetched £262. Messrs. Gooden and Fox had to pay for it £12,600.

From Mr. Ronald H. Campbell came Ben Marshall's "Portrait of General Sir Henry Frederick Campbell," which received a final bid of £2,400 (Langridge). The late Hon. Mrs. Harriet Frances Baillie Hamilton sent a portrait of Lady Almeria Carpenter, which has traditionally been attributed to Romney, but is more probably by Hopper. This fetched £820 (A. L. Nicholson).

In 1764, Romney painted a three-quarter length portrait of Mr. James Wilson, a councillor of Kendal, Westmorland, for which he received a fee of 28 8s. Mr. R. H. Heaton gave £760 for the canvas, which came from a descendant of the original sitter, Brigadier-General W. G. Braithwaite. In the property of Lord Vernon was "Head of a Woman in a large white ruff," attributed to Vandycy, which made £2,100 (Asscher).

£2625 for Marble Plaque.

At Messrs. Christie's a Fifteenth Century Italian white marble plaque, sculptured in low relief with the Madonna and Child, ascribed to Desiderio da Settignano, fetched £2,625 (Huggins). It belonged to Viscount Ednam and was originally purchased in Italy by his grandfather, William, first Earl of Dudley.

Mr. C. Leicester-Warren's property included a set of five Faenza bottles, which were originally in the first Lord Tabley's collection. The set, made £1,680 (Bacri).

From an anonymous source came a Herat carpet, with a bold design of coloured panels, foliage, and trelliswork on dark blue ground, which realised £1,575 (Watson).

A cabinet of Louis XVI. design, belonging to the Earl of Bessborough, and originally in the collection of Lady Charlotte Schreiber, made £504 (Andrade).

Catalogued as the "property of a lady" were many fine examples of Dresden porcelain. These included a set of six saucer-dishes, painted with Chinese figures in colours, on a gilt scroll pedestal, introducing small panels of landscapes, which fetched £1,165 10s. (Vollmann). The day's total was £16,058 8s. 6d.

Art Gifts to the Nation.

The dispersal to national museums of the collection formed by Mr. F. Leverton Harris marks an event in the art world. Members of the National Art Collection Fund and of the Contemporary Art Society are being invited to inspect the collection.

Mr. Leverton Harris' majolica forms the richest private collection; and this is being presented to the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge. Amongst other articles are several XIV. to XVI. Century Gothic statues left to the Victoria and Albert Museum; and the Fanny Burney books are left to the British Museum.

SKI SEARCH FILM.

BLAZING TORCHES AMID THE SNOWS.

Produced in the Swiss Alps, a new German film trade shown at the Marble Arch Pavilion, W., under the title of "The Wrath of the Gods," contains some remarkable and exciting pictures of skiing contests and some extraordinarily beautiful ones of a search-party of men on skis crossing the snows at night with blazing torches in their hands. The effect of this is breath-taking.

"The Wrath of the Gods" uses a short and rather confused story as the framework for unusual Alpine views. At a health resort high up at the foot of snow-covered mountains a famous mountaineer and his young friend both fall in love with a young dancer.

Caught in a storm at night while they are together climbing a dangerous peak, their rivalry is discovered. But the bond of friendship between them is so strong that the older man makes a heroic effort to save the younger one from death, and when this proves impossible elects to die with him.

The two men who play the chief roles are athletes, not actors, but do their work quite well. It is the girl who is less convincing, though she is graceful and pretty; her motives are never clear.

"The Wrath of the Gods" contains a great many scenes that are lovely and some that are positively sensational. It is, too, refreshingly unlike the average film.

£10,000 FOR ETCHINGS.

The auction of 50,000 engravings, woodcuts, and etchings, including the work of Albert Dürer and Rembrandt, has attracted a cosmopolitan crowd of experts and dealers to Leipzig. Mr. Campbell Dodgson, from the British Museum, and his colleagues from the Metropolitan Museum, New York, are among those who have been following the sale.

There was a great fight for a splendid example of Dürer's "Adam and Eve," which was finally knocked down to Mr. Wunderlich, of New York, for £2,500.

The price paid for 30 Rembrandt etchings was £10,000.

Two magnificent examples of Lucas Cramach's art, "The Crucifixion" and "Christ on the Mount of Olives," will be brought to London by Mr. Colnaghi, who bought them for £1,380 apiece.

MISSING RUBENS FOUND.

An interesting announcement is made in the "World of Art" page of the "Daily Telegraph," "Christ as the King of Martyrs," by Peter Paul Rubens, the missing picture from the famous series of the Twelve Apostles in the Prado Gallery, Madrid, has been discovered in the possession of Mr. Henry S. Roche, who acquired it abroad about a quarter of a century ago. Mr. Roche, who is a very old reader of the "Daily Telegraph," invited that paper's Art Critic, Mr. R. Tatlock, to inspect the picture, which was at once identified as the missing Rubens.

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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

War thoughts have been centred on Hankow during the past week. General Chiang Kai-shek was reported to have captured the city some days ago, but although it seems fairly certain that he intends to move against the Communists at some time or other, no confirmation of the fall of Hankow is forthcoming. Latest reports, in fact, have it that the Hankowites are coming out to fight the Chiang Kai-shek faction. Developments leading to the present curious position in China's military and political fortunes—or misfortunes—are fully described in this week's "Overland Mail," ready to-day.

Chang Tso-lin, too, is strangely situated. As usual, he is saying little, but it seems that some of his military forces have suffered reverses, and that the Nationalists are moving, albeit slowly, in a northerly direction towards Tientsin and the capital.

In addition to general news on China, the "Overland" contains reports of all local happenings, social, personal, legal and sporting.

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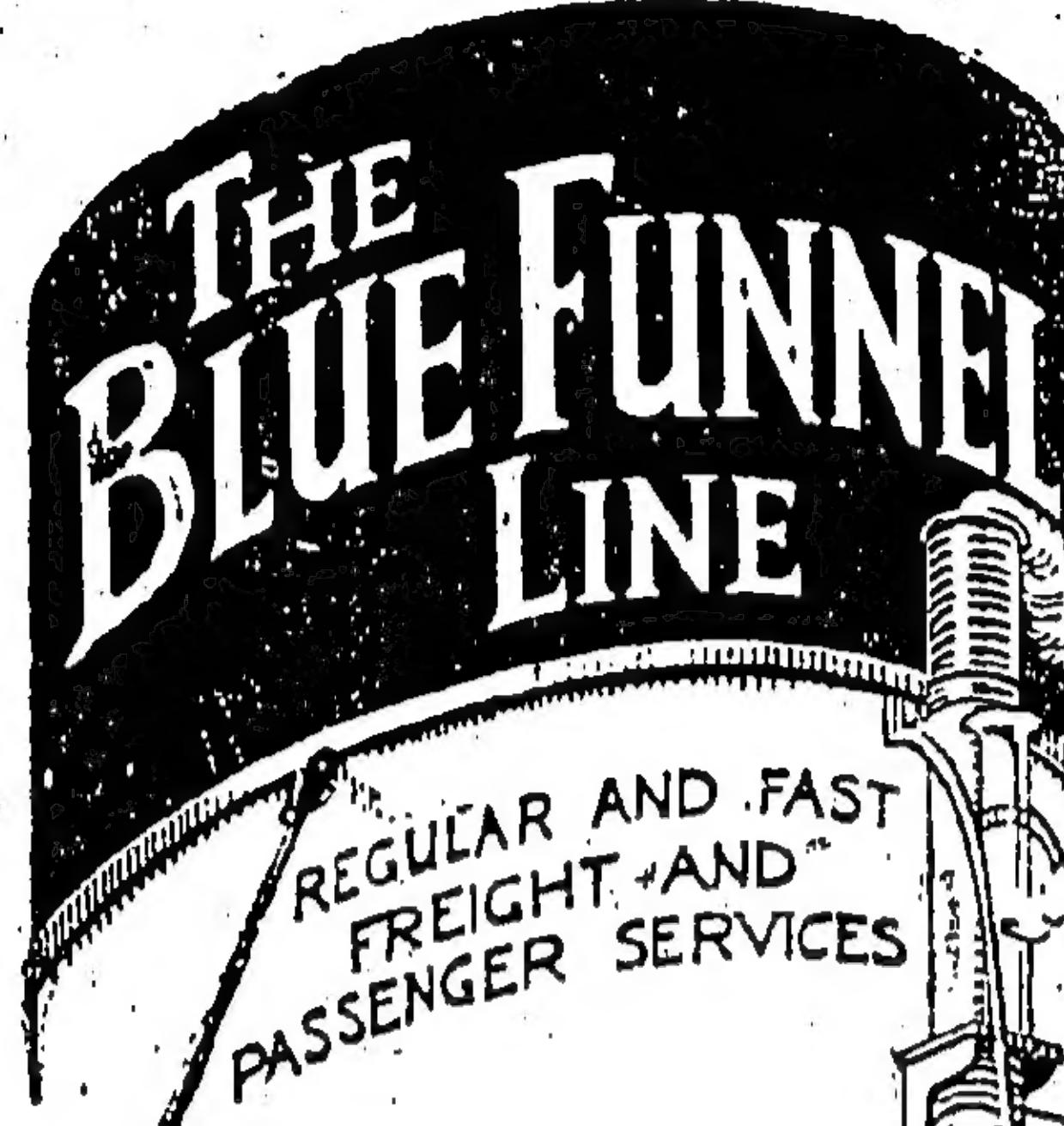
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TUESDAY, JULY	12	
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SUNDAY, JULY	17	
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MONDAY, JULY	18	
Suez & Straits	Adrastus.	
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TUESDAY, JULY	19	
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FRIDAY, JULY	8	
Sam Shui & Wuchow	San Ning	4 p.m.
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SATURDAY, JULY	9	
Fort Bayard	Hydrangea	1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ching	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, JULY	10	
Haiphong	Mingsang	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Kaijo Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY, JULY	11	
Japan & Honolulu	Rakuyo Maru	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Haruna Maru	10.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Parcels	Noon
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SPAIN'S GIFT.

STUFFED IBEXES FOR A LONDON MUSEUM.

Rugby, July 7. King Alfonso of Spain, in the presence of King George, to-day presented to the National History

Museum, at South Kensington, a splendid group of three stuffed ibexes mounted in picturesque surroundings representing a scene in the Pyrenees.—British Wireless

Service.

Referring to Mr. Gordon

Lens's argument yesterday

afternoon that he had no case to answer, the Magistrate this morning said that he found that there was sufficient evidence inconsistent with the suicide theory for him to call on Mr. Leask to state his defence.

Mr. Leask then asked permission to reserve his defence for the higher court, remarking that to-morrow was the last day on which his Worship could commit the accused to the next Criminal Sessions.

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Depositors numbering 225,760 have £7,800,221 to their credit in the Birmingham Municipal Bank, the average holding being £34.

Fire destroyed a lorry and its load of 98 cases of matches, weighing four tons, following the lorry's collision with a railway bridge at Great Haywood, Staffordshire.

The South Metropolitan Gas Company proposes to reduce the price of gas from 10d. per therm to 9½d. per therm, from the reading of the meters at midsummer.

Middlesex County Council have appointed Mr. Alfred George Hartfield, assistant surveyor to the Metropolitan Water Board, as economy valuation officer at a salary of £1,000 a year.

United States motor-car exports in April reached a new high record of 34,840 private cars and 11,863 trade vehicles of a total value of \$2,233,000, an increase over April last year of 14.5 per cent.

In a main street crowded with shoppers at Stoke-on-Trent, a steeplejack, Horace Smith, 22, of Barwood Hill-road, Winsford, Burton-on-Trent, fell from a 60ft. high building to the pavement and was killed.

Sixpenny all-day tickets for children under 14 entitling them to ride at will on 200 miles of route are to be issued by the tramways of the London County Council and East Council until September 30.

A set of six panels of Morris tapestry, woven with scenes from "The Quest of the Holy Grail," after designs by Sir E. Burne-Jones, realised £924 at Messrs. Christie's, while £840 was paid for a Louis XVI. mahogany commode.

A steel firm, with its biggest plant in Sheffield (believed to be Vickers, Ltd.), is, according to the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce "Journal," on the point of booking an ordnance order valued at £3,000,000 for the Republic of Bolivia.

An unlucky black cat which, with a live mouse in its mouth, tried to cross the road in front of a motor-cycle at Asfordby, Leicestershire, in mail week, was entangled in the spokes and killed. The driver was flung over the handle-bars and slightly injured. The mouse escaped.

Twickenham Town Council have decided to allow tennis to be played on Sundays on the courts at York House.

246,676 dog licences were sold at London Post Offices during 1926, the fees received being £92,129, an increase of £5,112 on 1925.

Mr. Charles Gostling, a bank manager, of The Grove, Church End, Finchley, who was holiday-making at Southend, was found dead in bed.

William George Mappley (21), of Caroline-Street, Upper, Clapton, died in Acton Hospital following a collision with a motor-lorry while cycling to work.

Mr. G. R. Rand, assistant solicitor-in-charge of the conveyancing section of the L.C.C. solicitors department, is retiring in July after fifty years' service.

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Buttercups and daisies growing on one stem have been picked by a schoolgirl in a field at Newton Nottage, Glamorgan.

The regimental colours of the 9th Essex Old Comrades' Association were laid up at a special service at Warley Barracks Chapel.

By the King's orders, the royal mausoleum, Frogmore, Windsor, was open to the public between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Whit Monday.

Employed continuously at Port Penrhyn, Bangor, for 79 years, Matthew Owen, of Glanrifon, Bangor, died on his 90th birthday.

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The story of a triple murder following family differences was told at Ferozepore, Punjab, at the trial of Gurdial Singh, who was sentenced to death.

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The grandfather, aunt, and child died from their injuries.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

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